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MADHYA PRADESH														
39.	Bhopal	209389	23.40	10929	1.22	6765	0.76	8133	0.91	10721		236485	894739	26.43
RAJASTHAN														
40.	Jaisalmer	56378	23.19	124	0.05	383	0.16	Nil	0.00	Nil		169094	243082	69.56
GUJARAT														
41.	Kachch	197164	18.77	1277	0.12	929	0.09		0.00	11	0.00	199453	1050161	18.99

**Statement-II**

The Government has launched a Multi-Sectoral Development Plan during 1995-96 in the 41 Minority Concentration Districts which is being monitored by the Ministry of Welfare. During the VIIIth Five Year Plan an amount of Rs. 1.00 Crore was allocated for the Scheme, out of which an amount of Rs. 56.40 Lakhs has so far been released.

Besides the above, the Government, through the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Education) have introduced some programs for the educational development of the Minorities :

(i) *Area intensive programme for educationally backward minorities* : The scheme was introduced in 1993-94 with the objective to provide basic educational and infrastructural facilities in areas of concentration of educationally backward minorities who do not have adequate provision for elementary education. Out of the VIIIth Plan Allocation of Rs. 16.27 Crore, an amount of Rs. 8.97 Crore has been spent under the Scheme.

(ii) *Modernization of Madrassa and Maktab* : The Scheme is meant to provide opportunities to the students of the *Madrassa and Maktab*s to acquire education comparable to that of the National Education System by providing financial assistance with the objective of introducing additional subjects like Science, Mathematics, English etc. An amount of Rs. 1.72 Crores was incurred on the schemes against the VIIIth Plan allocation of Rs. 1.00 Crore.

(iii) *Scheme of Community Polytechnics* : The scheme was started in the year 1978-79 and it envisaged the Community Polytechnics to act as focal points for Science and Technology applications in Rural Areas and generate self and wage employment opportunities through non-formal training in over 100 identified technical and vocational trades.

**Procurement of Wheat**

\*152. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Food Corporation of India (FCI) did not pick up wheat when the same was in plenty in Punjab

markets, not because it was short of funds but it was in league with the private dealers;

(b) whether Government have ordered an inquiry into this lapse of FCI;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) No, Sir. Wheat is procured for Central Pool by the FCI and State agencies under minimum support price scheme on a voluntary basis. The procurement prices are fixed by the Government to ensure that farmers do not resort to distress sale. The farmers are free to sell their produce to others at the prices advantageous to them.

No such complaint from Government of Punjab has been received in this regard.

(b) to (d) In view of the above the questions do not arise.

[Translation]

**Wheat Allocation to Flour Mills**

\*153. SHRI DHIRENDRA AGARWAL :  
SHRI VINAY KATIYAR :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the officers of the Food Corporation of India had allotted/supplied wheat to the flour mills by misusing their authority;

(b) if so, the details of such cases detected during the last one year, State-wise;

(c) whether the prices of wheat in the open market in the country have increased as a result thereof;

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government in each case; and

(e) the efforts made by the Government to check the recurrence of such incidents in future ?